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Breaking news: Changes to housing options for 2011-2012

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Administration decided on March 29 that due to a variety of circumstances, the options for senior housing needed to be revised. Many houses such as 144 College Ave. (Weimer House), 136 College Ave. and 138 College Ave. will not be available for student use during the 2011-2012 semesters, as the houses are needed for administrative office purposes.

As the Mund renovations have recently and unexpectedly been projected to take a significantly increased amount of time and money, the offices in the basement of Mund need to be relocated to a different location than originally planned. These offices include Jen Evans, director of Student Activities; Career Services; and Venus Ricks, director of Multi-Cultural Affairs. These offices will now be located in 136 and 138 College Ave.

144 College Ave. will now house the new executive director of marketing and staff. The new director of marketing and all other public relations personnel will be working on a variety of important projects meant to improve LVC and increase enrollment for future semesters.

Since LVC administration is unsure of exactly how long the Mund renovations are projected to continue, they feel that it is critically important to LVC that they ensure enough space for all of the administration personnel to function at their highest potential.



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Another major housing change is the transformation of the Greek House into an honors dorm for the incoming freshmen class. Regarding this change, Director of Residential Life Jason Kuntz stated, "Due to the expected large incoming freshman class we need to find an additional twenty beds, and the Greek house fits that profile. Administration believes this transformation will especially help hard-working freshmen to have an easier and more productive beginning of their college career. We still value the Greek community at LVC and we appreciate their understanding of the situation".

More information concerning new housing policies will be available within the next week. All students affected by these sudden changes can contact Residential Life with questions.

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LVC to institute new abstinence regulations

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Last Tuesday morning at a faculty meeting, the president of the college stated that he was planning to introduce several new measures designed to make the LVC campus safer for all students.

Among these measures were hiring more campus security guards and installing more emergency phones around campus, but perhaps the most important for students are the new abstinence regulations that, as the president says, "are sure to prevent any unnecessary or unwelcome encounters between students that they might regret in the future."

"I feel that the college needs to return to its religious roots," he says. "I'm not saying that LVC should be intolerant of other faiths, but that the rather liberal attitude of the college needs to be toned back for the physical and religious good of its students."

The first of the abstinence regulations is an agreement that all incoming freshmen must sign

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Dutchman mascot retired after hit-and-run

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Weeks after reconsidering the need for the above traffic sign, Lebanon Valley College's famous Dutchman mascot was hit by a bus late last night while proceeding to dance his way across Route 934. The individual inside the costume is in good medical health but the same can't be said for LVC's school spirit. It's been suspected that a student from a rival school was driving the vehicle involved with the hit-and-run. Witnesses noted a large blue and grey bird painted on the side of the bus, but nothing has been confirmed at the time of print.

"It was terrifying to watch," says Matt Garber '11. "I know we're the 'Flying Dutchmen' but I never thought I'd see the Dutchman actually *fly*. Man, his body was like a rocket after that collision."

Faculty and staff are quickly trying to respond to the incident. At approximately 1 a.m. this morning a meeting was held in Laughlin Hall to begin discussions on how to move the institution to the next

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MASCOT: "Nothing says 'intimidation' like a dude with winged shoes and crazy yellow hair."

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step. Already ideas are pouring in on how to handle the situation. The biggest change that came from the discussion is that the Dutchman concept will most likely be altogether retired, and a different mascot will become the new symbol of LVC.

"I heard we might be called the Quittapahillas, or the 'Quits,' for short," says Gloria Slovak '11. Costume designs for the half-naked green individual are already in phase three. "The nickname is a little unfortunate, but no matter the name, we can still all be winners, right?"

"Someone told me we were going to be the Diversity Dude," comments a student who desired to be left anonymous. "It would be a very open and accepting mascot that everyone could relate to."

Rumors of the mascot being a large Black Swan reminiscent of the terrifying creature by the Red Lot have surfaced as well; yet the most interesting concept is the mysteriously-titled "Metz Monster," which has been described by a student who wishes not to be named as a costume "delicious in appearance, but once up close looks really, really bad."

LVC has even hinted that the hotly-anticipated band Bon Journey may not be coming to Valley-Fest because of financial tightness resulting from the Dutchman being hit. Faculty and staff are beginning to explain that the student body will have to settle for something less than the best this year, and they will try to make sure a top-notch cover-band is waiting in the wings for Valleyfest 2012.

"I just don't understand why we need to get rid of the Dutchman," Ann Marie Crider '11 says. "Nothing says 'intimidation' like a dude with winged shoes and crazy yellow hair. Yeah, he might have a few bruises, or a tire mark down his face, but he should get back up and keep at it."

Whether the Dutchman truly can be replaced is at the forefront of discussion. Individuals close to the man behind the mask seem unsure if the task can be done at all.

"He's a genuine inspiration," says Mark Rosborough '11. "His ability to take that costume and transform it into visual artwork is spectacular. It moves me to be honest."

Whether or not the Dutchman is reinstated is one thing. All that is known right now is that LVC has a lot of work to do to reinvent the mascot symbol. And there is a need to focus on making sure the rest of the semester doesn't completely fall apart.

"All we can do is hope," says an anonymous professor of philosophy, "that this one hit-and-run with a bus on the Dutchman doesn't turn into a grand mascot war. Nothing is more terrifying than four-fingered giant stuffed animals going around beating the s*** out of each other."

Let's hope the fall of the Dutchman doesn't continue to shake the foundation of this campus and instead unites us all. A planned "Wear Shoes with Wings" day is already in the works; check www.lvc.edu for more information.

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Superfluous, senseless spending

Investigation finds over half of tuition goes towards landscaping

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According to a recent investigation of tuition conducted by *La Vie Colligienne*, it has been confirmed that 51 percent of an LVC student's tuition goes towards landscaping. That's right, students: Over half of your tuition is going towards mulch and flower beds.

"This is ridiculous!" fumes Carrie Becker '14. "We were led to believe that our tuition was going towards things like improving campus facilities or funding fun school activities. Not towards flowers!"

This news comes on the heels of recent observations that flowers are being planted again in time for spring, a seemingly worthless activity that tends to occur around this time every year.

According to our investigation, LVC spends roughly $34 million on landscaping each year. With 1,600 students, that's $21,250 per person. Some students think this is too much.

"I think this is too much," comments one such student.

"$20,000 towards grounds keeping? My tuition doesn't even cost half of that," offers Brent Russell, a guest of an LVC student, who attends a public university.

The head groundskeeper at LVC, however, thinks the spending is completely justified.

"Students don't seem to realize just how much it costs to make this campus look the way it does," he explains. "The aesthetic of the campus can be a huge determining factor as to whether prospective students choose LVC."

What he doesn't mention is just what is so costly.

Upon digging deeper, *La Vie* found that the grounds crew uses specially imported redwood mulch from California to place in the flower beds. This costly mulch runs at nearly $3,000 a scoop, and with the grounds crew using roughly 400 scoops of mulch a month, one can see how pricey this can be.

In addition, a portion of the grounds crew's allotted budget goes towards replacing every rake at the beginning of each school year.

Possibly the most outrageous expense, however, is the repeated action of digging up and replanting grass many times throughout the year.

When approached on the topic, the head grounds keeper evaded a clear answer. "We dig up the grass for various reasons; it helps it improve the quality in many ways, such as its color and feel."

After speaking to a student worker, however, it seems that the main reason grounds keepers ask student workers to dig up and replant grass is simply to give them something to do.

Other outlandish expenses by the grounds crew include purifying the water in the Red Lot pond (a monthly process which includes catching each fish in the pond individually, storing them in safe containers, draining the pond, filling it with specially-filtered, FDA-approved pond water, and replacing the fish) and hand-feeding flowers daily with fertilizer and peanuts.

"I came to LVC to get a good education," says Becker. "Not to see the school on the cover of *Fine Gardening* magazine."

Look for more coverage of this issue in a forthcoming issue of *La Vie*.

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Corrections & Clarifications

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CAMPUS CRIMEBOTCH

All information courtesy of the LVC Department of Public Safety

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3-24-11 | Campus
Incident Services
President MacDonald was attacked by the Black Swan during his weekly jog across campus. It occurred by the red lot around 5:30 a.m. President MacDonald was taken to Hershey Medical Center with only a minor injury; the Swan was not injured in the attack.

3-25-11 | Leedy Theater
Incident Services
An angry band member was escorted from the campus after losing the Battle of The Bands competition around 12 p.m. and attacking the Valley-Fest Committee. The drummer then proceeded to attack Public Safety with their band equipment. Resulting in a broken neck, fortunately only on the electric guitar.

3-26-11 | The Underground
Alcohol Violation
A student was escorted from the UG for public intoxication and urinating in public. The UG will be closed for the remainder of the semester because the sound equipment was damaged in the incident and there is no funding for replacement equipment.

3-29-11 | Mary Green Hall
Disturbance
Noise Complaints were called in about student's music in Mary Green Hall. The student was up singing the days of the week counting down until Friday, saying her song was inspired by the new hit song "Friday" by Rebecca Black. Student was told to stop singing because, like Rebecca Black, she had no musical ability.

Please report any suspicious activity to Public Safety at x6111.

News

ABSTINENCE: New policy turns away incoming students

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before they start classes at LVC. The president is still revising the agreement in order to make sure that students can and will understand all the conditions of the agreement and that no ambiguity arises, but the current draft of the abstinence agreement reads as follows:

"I, _____, as a future student of Lebanon Valley College, do solemnly promise not to engage in any sexual relations with any member of the Lebanon Valley College student body or any visitors, whether students from another college or any of my friends or acquaintances, that would come to the college and stay with me either in my own room or in the close proximity of my room. I understand that sex is a deliberate act that requires the full consent of the participants and that I should not engage in sex until I am fully ready to do so. I understand that if I violate the terms of this agreement I will be brought up on disciplinary actions and may face suspension or expulsion if my actions have been decided to be in gross violation of this agreement."

The president says that he understands not all incoming freshmen will adhere to the terms of the agreement, so he has also decided to make some changes to the day-to-day actions in the dorm buildings.

First, all students will be required to leave their doors open whenever they are in their rooms and must go to one of the RA's in their buildings to get permission to close their doors when they leave the building for any reason. When students return to the dorm building, they must check in with an RA before going to their rooms and must keep their doors open at all times until they leave again.

Second, RA's will be patrolling the hallways every fifteen minutes to make sure that students are following the new abstinence regulations. If RA's catch any students having or about to have sex, they are allowed to break up the participants and take them to Public Safety so that they may be judged for their actions and appropriately punished.

The president says that the school will test this new system starting in April, and if the results are successful, these regulations will be fully implemented in the Fall 2011 semester.

After the president had sent letters detailing the specifics of the regulations to incoming students, the number of incoming students plummeted from about 450 to about 230. Many faculty members are also fearing that the retention rate of students will drop dramatically as a result of the new regulations. In order to address these crises, the president will be holding a discussion panel on the new regulations in Lutz Hall at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, April 19. All students, faculty and members of the community are invited to attend the meeting and share their opinions about the regulations.

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Summit St. to be demolished

State plans to widen railroad

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Effective Monday, April 6, there will be no parking available for commuters and visitors on Summit Street due to demolition of the street. The Loading and Unloading zones will also be unavailable. Therefore, all commuters and visitors will be permanently moved to the Gold Lot. The demolition will begin immediately on Monday morning, and therefore any vehicles on Summit St will be towed at the owner's expense.

Public Safety has announced the reasons for the demolition is because the state wants to widen the railroad tracks. In addition, with an additional two tracks being constructed, there will be an increase in train traffic. With trains already going multiple times a day, it is likely that there will be trains going through campus constantly.

"Student government will do everything in their power to fix this problem, starting by talking to administrators and the state government," commented the president of Student Government.

The college has tried fighting the state and petitioning the already bothersome railroad tracks, however they were unsuccessful;. Students seem to be reacting negatively. Some are even threatening the administration saying they will transfer.

"The trains already drive me insane. If they add more tracks, I'm going to transfer to Albright, who doesn't have any railroad tracks," said a freshman student who wants to remain anonymous.

It has also been discussed by the president of the college that in fighting the state, they have asked the construction company doing the Mund Renovations if they could possibly build a tunnel that would cover the trains as well as provide a well-needed sound barrier.

Until these changes are made, Summit Street will be closed to all visitors and commuters. The bridge over the tracks will also be demolished until all construction is finished. Until the completion of construction, students are to use the bridge that connects to the road in order to get to the sports centers and parking lots.

"These changes come at one of the worst possible times; the students are already inconvenienced by the Mund renovations. I don't understand why the state has the need for more tracks," says the director of Public Safety. "We are already looking into finding more parking for commuters that is closer to the academic quad."

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LVC to stay sober for ValleyFest

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Despite numerous attempts by the college to drive students to drink for entertainment during ValleyFest weekend, a recent poll shows that many students are nonetheless making the call to remain sober.

This mindset flies in the face of measures such as inflatables, carnival games and a main stage full of washed-up one-hit wonders which have managed, for many years, to successfully encourage students to become inebriated in order to derive enjoyment from them.

"Last year, I had to pour vodka in my water bottle to make Red Jumpsuit Apparatus bearable, but this year, I'm keeping it all natural spring water," says Shannon MacTear '11. "I think this is going to be the best ValleyFest EVER!"

Last year, Josh "J-Man" Willis '11, woke up at 8 a.m. on ValleyFest for the sole purpose of achieving a day-long buzz. This year, he just wants some balloon art and a little face painting.

"I mean, sure, I made a trip around to the inflatables a time or two, but most of the time I stayed inside my room because heck, I've got a weekend with almost no work and all my friends are around so why not crack open a few brews, kick back and relax for the day," he says. "But this year, no alcohol at all; just some good old fashioned fun on the inflatables and maybe the mechanical bull if they have it this year. I think I might get my face painted, too. I'm a little old but maybe they'll make an exception for me… I really want to get a tiger painted on my face."

The reasons for this sudden change in heart are not completely understood, but some believe that it arises from the fact that this year's lineup, Bon Journey and Get the Led Out, are cover bands and as such have a decent and substantial set list to start out with, even if they didn't write the material. Analysis of previous years seems to indicate that higher alcohol usage among students coincides directly with the presence of "one-hit wonder" acts such as Eve6 and Red Jumpsuit Apparatus, whose absence would logically forecast a lower drinking rate for this year's festival.

The more direct cause, however, seems to be restrictions which have gradually tightened over the last few years, limiting the prevalence and potential for alcohol outside on campus to begin with, and also ensuring that students do not engage in that most heinous of crimes, gathering in a "large" group of more than ten people.

But perhaps more importantly, the change seems to have had a dramatic effect on student mentality toward alcohol in general.

"I'll admit it; I, like a lot of students I guess, used to have a few drinks during ValleyFest," comments Joe Willsworth '11. "But I just don't really see the point anymore; there's just so much to do here." When a student wearing a hat advertising a local beer brewery walked by, Willsworth proceeded to call the beverage an "evil draught of Satan" and proclaimed, "I shall not fall for your sinful tricks! Back I say! The power of Christ COMPELS you!"

However, at the other end of the spectrum is the small group of students like Deena Lee '11, who still think that there's nothing wrong with a little bit of alcoholic indulgence and that the college's rules are "a bit excessive."

"I sometimes think that those who lead us here have forgotten what it's like to be a college student," she says. "Don't get me wrong; they're all doing their jobs, and they've got our best interests at heart, and let's face it, there's no way I could pull in Lady Gaga or some big headliner to play here AND make everyone happy with that choice. It's a tough thing to put together. For what it is, ValleyFest is a good weekend; I've loved the last three I've had here. But I mean seriously, let's get a reality check: It's college in Annville, Pennsylvania; a great town with great people, but not much for the night life. I guess I just hope that in the coming years, we all just learn to chill out when it comes to this aspect of ValleyFest. And I mean *all* of us – both sides. Maybe if a few students wouldn't abuse reasonable standards by getting completely trashed in public, they wouldn't make the rest of us have to live by stricter rules."

People like Lee are, however, a minority on campus in the face of this new mindset on drinking, one that most students hope will continue.

"I think it's a good change for us, really," says Willis. "It leaves more time for face-painting."

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Features

"Really strange-looking bird" soon to enact plot for world domination

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Stephen MacDonald, president of Lebanon Valley College, has issued a formal warning to the student body that a "really strange-looking



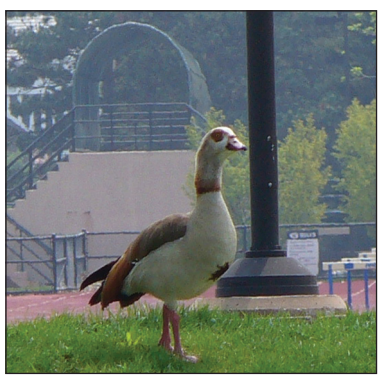
bird" dwelling in the pond near the Red Lot is preparing to unleash an evil plot which may ultimately bring about the downfall of not only Lebanon Valley College as a private liberal arts institution, but also quite possibly the world.

The avian aggressor, known commonly as "that weird looking bird," "that goofy looking bird by the pond" and "what the [expletive deleted] is that thing?" has lived in relative solitude by the pond for some time, far from the prying eyes of students and faculty members. There, unnoticed and overlooked, it has worked tirelessly to bring its evil plans to fruition by uniting the rest of the campus's bird population in a violent campaign to take over the college.

"I fear," began a visibly concerned MacDonald in a Tuesday press conference, "that a great and terrible evil festers in the heart of this campus… somewhere in the near vicinity of the Red Lot. Long have its dark designs gone unnoticed and unchecked and even now, I fear, it may be too late for action. Every day brings us closer to impending doom," he said.

The strange-looking bird was last seen on Monday, pecking ominously at the ground and speaking to its foul disciples in contorted and unnatural honks. The black swan of the Red Lot, already notorious for its ill temper toward the student body and willingness to strike passersby with its powerful beak, was among the first to convert to the bird's teachings. A large number of ducks and virtually all of the campus's geese are now poised to strike.

Some believe that the bird, which seems to be neither a duck nor a goose but rather something altogether different, is an evil spirit from the underworld, while others suspect him to be a portent of a heathen god's vengeful return from exile. Still others hypothesize the bird is a wizard from another dimension where ducks and geese rule the world and was sent here to begin the destruc-



tion of all mankind.

Experts on similar events believe that the onset of the evil spirit/portent/wizard-bird's evil plot will be marked by several key events.

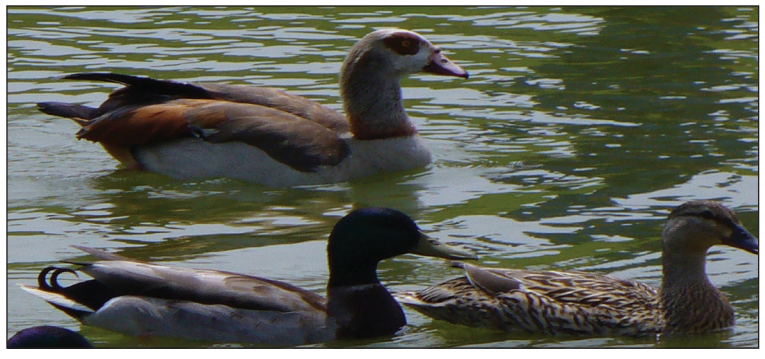
"These things tend to follow very specific, predictable patterns. It will begin with many bird droppings. MANY bird droppings. They will cover walkways, and then cars and, before long, they will be actively pursuing people," explains Dr. Albert VanTeal, a leading expert in the identification of both manifestations of evil and birds. "This, however, is but the beginning of a more sinister reality. After the commencement of the bird droppings, it is only a matter of time before they unleash the full extent of their wrath, under the direction of some sorcerer or wizard-duck, and thus take over the world."

Only time will tell whether a small liberal arts college has the strength of will and arms to fend off the coming storm, but according to MacDonald, failure could spell doom in a much broader scope.

"What this creature's nefarious purpose is I cannot guess, nor do I understand why here, of all places, the fate of man will be decided. But what I do know is that this threat is very real and will resort to all manners of trickery and fowl play. I fear what we may be looking at here," said MacDonald, "is the possibility of a full scale duck-opalypse."

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BEWARE: This creature preys near the **Red Lot**





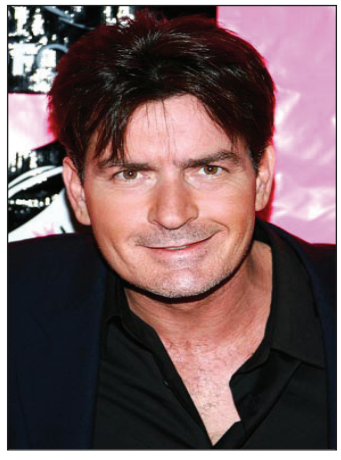
Commencement speaker: Charlie Sheen

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"As kids we're not taught how to deal with success; we're taught how to deal with failure. If at first you don't succeed, try, try again. If at first you succeed, then what?" These words are a quote from famous, or perhaps infamous, actor Charlie Sheen, who will be the commencement speaker at the Lebanon Valley College Class of 2011 Graduation. Sheen was contacted long before his recent breakdowns and continues to insist that this is important to him.

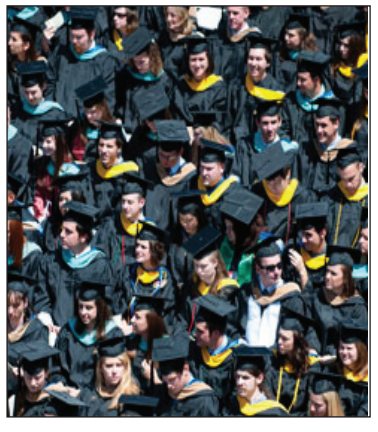
Dean Green is just as insistent that the May 14 graduation will go on as planned and that "it may come as a shock but this man actually does have some pretty sober encouragements for this class." Of course, before his recent breakdowns, Sheen was the highest paid television actor, which is why he was contacted to speak to students about reaching for their dreams and seizing them. For Sheen, especially in such an uncertain profession where the audience is more often your boss than your director and the ratings list is your report card, it is important to make sure the students understand not to be afraid of the future. "Uncertainty is a sign of humility, and humility is just the ability or the willingness to learn," says Sheen.

Recently, when asked what they would think if Sheen were contracted to be the Lebanon Valley College Class of 2011 Commencement Speaker, some students reacted with amusement, others with obvious confusion and still more



with disbelief. "I'm sure he'd have some pretty interesting things to say," replied Eric Furman '12 when he was presented with the situation. "I might actually go to commencement then," senior Curt Cenci joked, when asked what he would do.

"I think my passion is misinterpreted as anger sometimes. And I don't think people are ready for the message that I'm delivering, and delivering with a sense of violent love," says Sheen in response to student reactions. Sheen, in a moment of lucidity, shared some of the points he plans to make during his commencement address. He wants the students to understand that "life all comes down to a few moments. This is one of them. That they shouldn't waste their time worrying about what others think about them and that they should capture the moment as though they have 'tiger blood' in them." He also plans to end his speech very simply, "Boom, crush. Night, losers. Winning, duh."



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Arts & Entertainment

Rebecca Black next ValleyFest performer?

Students look to kick-start a movement that will bring teen superstar to LVC

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Students are petitioning teen pop sensation Rebecca Black to perform at the 40th Anniversary ValleyFest. A group of students have taken it upon themselves to send Black YouTube videos, fan mail and Twitter comments begging her to sing her viral hit "Friday" at LVC's spring arts festival the weekend of April 15.

"She's a cultural phenomenon," Joe Schmoe '12 explains. "It would be wrong if we didn't try to get her to perform at ValleyFest. Think of what it could mean for LVC! She's the perfect definition of our generation. All of our goals and ideas are summed up in her song."

A product of ARK Music Factory, the world has been taken by storm in recent weeks by the talented 13-year-old performer, whose single "Friday" went viral back in February and has only grown in popularity since. Black's official music video has over 60 million views. Comedy Central's Tosh.0 posted the video on his blog on March 11, getting the video even more publicity.

Critics have noted the song's unique construction, with one iTunes reviewer explaining, "This song is flawless. May it go down in history as the perfect jam for literally any occasion, be it a funeral or an 11-year-old's birthday party," stating that the song was "perfection."

The song and Black have been compared to the talents of William Hung and Paris Hilton, citing the lyric's beautiful simplicity and down-to-earth meaning.



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Even Chrysler, whose Sebring was featured in the song's official music video, is encouraged by Black's positive effects on culture. Autoblog reports that Chrysler is thrilled with Black's association with the Sebring, "because they remain a favorite of rental fleets in warm weather states thanks to 'move-em-out' pricing from Chrysler and demand for four-seat convertibles from vacationers."

Erin Free '14 believes that the song will go down in history whether people like the song or not. "Personally, I think Miss Black's song will be talked about for a few years," she says, noting that the song's "quality and meaning" are what make it memorable.

Schmoe defends "Friday" against negative comments, believing that the lyrics are much deeper than what they seem. "If a person can't decide where to sit in a car, how are they supposed to decide what they should major in?"

Excited by all the buzz, Black is encouraged by the response her song has gotten, and responded to messages from LVC students.

The singer is not available on Friday, but believes that her managers will let her perform "Friday" on Saturday if they see LVC students continue to give a positive response to the idea.

"If 150 current Lebanon Valley College students post lyrics to 'Friday' in their Facebook status on April 1, I'll sing!" Black explains in a YouTube video to LVC students, mispronouncing "Lebanon" as "Leb-an-ON."

Black says that all proceeds will go towards the purchase of a vehicle when she turns 16. "I really want a school bus. I want to paint it purple, and write my name on the side! If I have a school bus, I'll have *so* many different places to sit. It'll be so much fun, fun, fun!"

LVC students can get involved by joining the "Rebecca Black—ValleyFest, Saturday, April 16!!!" group on Facebook and by posting a "Friday"-related status on April 1.

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DJ Pauly D to DJ the Underground

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To end another great year at the Valley, the staff at LVC booked one of the biggest names on the market to DJ the final dance at the UG. Who else, but "Jersey Shore" cast member, DJ Pauly D.

Pauly D will be on campus April 30 beginning at 10 p.m., signing autographs in the upper level of Mund College Center. He will then move downstairs to the UG and DJ from midnight to 2 a.m., the usual hours for the dance. The only way this was made possible was to charge general admission of $10 for each student with an ID, and $20 for any other person.

After speaking with the assistant secretary of UG entertainment, she informed me how much of a great opportunity this is for our college and how much of a good time it will be: "Having such a well known star on campus for one night is simply extraordinary; Pauly D can bring a lot of attention to our school. Plus, it's a good chance for these kids to end a hard year with a night of fun."

For anyone hoping to get an autograph, only the first 100 people in line will get a picture hand-autographed and made out personally. Be sure to get into Mund early, and get ready to have a great final weekend on campus!

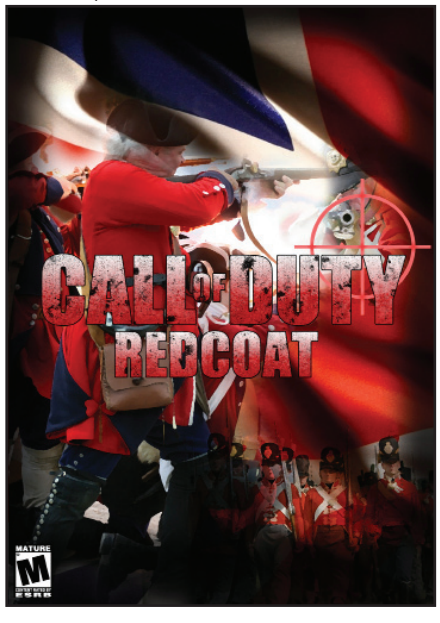
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Gamer Zone: Gaming world getting rocked by new sequels

This week gamers around the world were shocked by the announcement of sequels to two famous gaming franchises.

Earlier this week, Activision announced the installment of its popular Call of Duty franchise: Call of Duty: Redcoat. The game will apparently, as a shock to most gamers, take place during the revolutionary war.

The series' attention to detail will remain intact, as the gameplay will involve muskets, bayonets and horse riding. Incredible attention was given to the guns themselves: The muskets will be incredibly inaccurate to retain historical accuracy, and they will take upwards of two minutes to reload, depending on the player's skill with the weapon. Revolutionary war tactics will also be included, and most battles will involve standing in a line of soldiers firing volleys at barely visible enemies hidden in forests.



Many mini-games will be included in the game, some of which will control how fast the muskets are reloaded and marching in step with other soldiers while hidden enemy soldiers fire at the player. All in all it looks to be an interesting and rather risky addition to the franchise.

But there was an even more shocking announcement this week: Rockstar announced the sequel to 2008's wildly successful Grand Theft Auto IV. The new game has been announced to be Grand Theft Auto: Social Worker.

A statement from Rockstar reads, "The Grand Theft Auto games have always been controversial for the depiction and glorification of crime. We want the new GTA game to be a watershed for the series, and to finally send the right message to today's youth and tell them that violence is not okay."

The game will cast the player as a rehabilitated crime lord who now works as a social worker. Replacing the previous games' reliance on gun combat and fast driving, the game will feature missions involving checking up on parolees, counseling disturbed children, and performing interventions.

In fact, players who break the law in any way (even driving too fast) will have sever punishments put on them, involving instantly losing the game. The goal is to provide a fine example for young people, who of course were the main audience for the previously mature-rated Grand Theft Auto games.

Look for both of these games to drop sometime in 2012.

Perspectives

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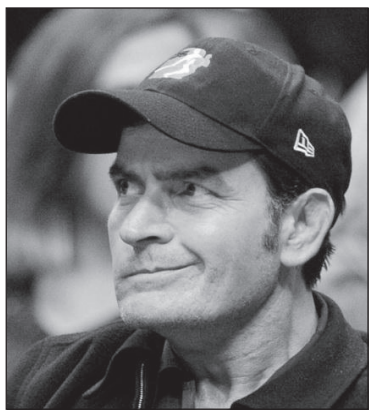
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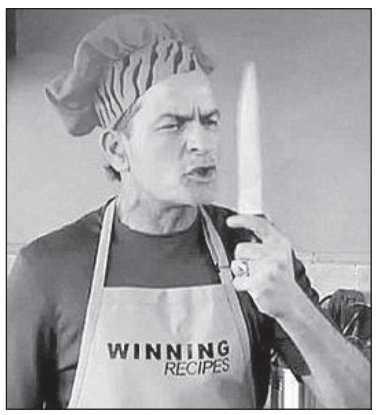
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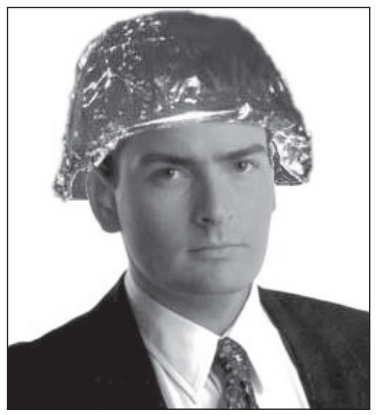
"Every day is just filled with wins. All we do is put wins in the record books. We win so radically in our underwear before our first cup of coffee, it's scary."



"I am on a drug. It's called Charlie Sheen. It's not available. If you try it once, you will die. Your face will melt off and your children will weep over your exploded body."



"I'm different. I have a different constitution, I have a different brain, I have a different heart. I got tiger blood, man."



"I am battle-tested bayonets, bro."

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Opinionated:

The controversy of lawn mowing at LVC

John Deere'11
Contributing Columnist

As spring rolls in and the grass begins to grow, perhaps the most pressing issue regularly faced by the LVC Facilities staff this time of year has surfaced once again: Which day and what time is most suitable for mowing the college lawns? On first thought, one may think that this decision holds little weight and takes hardly any serious thought. This could not be further from the truth.

First, we must admit that grass should not be cut any day of the week—Monday through Friday—between 11 a.m. and noon. Why, you ask? Across the campus, students are tuning into the daily episode of *The Price is Right*, and increasing the level of sound could hinder one's ability to actively engage in the show. Likewise, we must respect the greatest soap opera ever created, *General Hospital*, which airs daily from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. While we're at it, exclude any time after 4 p.m. because *Ellen* comes on, and from then on you've lost the time needed for any real progress.

Secondly, we must consider the men responsible for cutting the grass. Certainly, rule out a noon to 1 p.m. lunch hour. Also, no one wants to begin work too early in the morning (and no one wants to wake up sleepy students), so start time should not come before ten in the morning. This certainly narrows the available times considerably—from 10-11 a.m. daily, and 1-3 p.m. However, as spring rolls along, the sun will become increasingly warm, so forcing workers to race around in the beating down sun would be unjust and hazardous working conditions. Thus, we have arrived at the appropriate time: 10-11 a.m.

With such a restricted time range, one can clearly see the facilities men will have to devote multiple days of the week to mowing lawns. Considering which days of the week are more suitable should come into play. Mondays are bad for obvious reasons: With the groggy haze that comes after the weekend, no one wants to deal with the monotonous drone of the mowers. Friday can be stricken from the list—how would we ever get down on Friday with that kind of distraction? We were so excited…to not have lawn mowing on Friday.

Thus, it seems apparent that the most appropriate days and times for cutting grass across the LVC campus should be between 10-11 a.m. on Tuesday-Thursday. Should the facilities team need extra time, at least mow the lawns far from student life at the more disruptive times. One final request—could the weekly test of the e2campus alert system coincide with the lawn mowing? If it's going to be noisy once, why not make it all at the same time?

Clearly, the systematic approach to lawn mowing on campus should be taken seriously, and with some conscious efforts by those in power, we can adequately choose the best possible time to suit the comfort and convenience of the campus members.

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News

Diversity Action Committee to raise cultural awareness on LVC campus

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Faculty, students, administrators, staff and trustees at Lebanon Valley College have joined together in the creation of the Diversity Action Committee with one goal in mind: to create a sustained institutional culture that is aware, accepting and enhanced by the rich cultures, races, genders, sexual orientations, ages and physical abilities represented on campus.

The purpose of this committee is to actively promote and maintain a safe, respectful and inclusive institutional environment for all students in the Lebanon Valley College community, with particular focus on groups that have been historically marginalized in society. According to their mission statement, the committee is focused on enrollment management, curriculum infusion, co-curricular programs, support and assessing the campus climate regarding diversity. The committee is reviewing institutional data pertaining to diversity to better understand where LVC is performing well in regards to diversity and also areas where the college needs to improve. Based on their analysis, the committee will then focus on three areas of focus for the 2011-2012 academic year.

Venus Ricks, director of multicultural affairs and chair of the Diversity Action Committee comments, "I think this is a great committee, as it demonstrates that LVC understands that promoting diversity is not one person's job but the work of the entire LVC community. By having so many groups represented from different facets of the campus community, the message and work will be more instrumental and long lasting. The committee looks forward to great work!"

The committee meets once a month. For more information, contact Ricks at ricks@lvc.edu or 717-867-6165.

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CAMPUS CRIMEWATCH

All information courtesy of the LVC Department of Public Safety

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Please see www.lvc.edu/public-safety/security-log.aspx for this week's report.

Please report any suspicious activity to Public Safety at x6111.

Student Government Update: 3.29.11

Board elections, College Readership Program, Metz discussed

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On March 28, Student Government convened for its ninth meeting of the semester in order to discuss executive board elections, the College Readership Program, club budgets, the Cystic Fibrosis Softball Tournament, a possible new card swipe at the front door of the Student Center, food service concerns, parking concerns, SG election forms and the Handicap Accessibility Task Force.

SG executive board elections will be held after the meeting on Monday, April 18. The new SG president, vice president, treasurer, secretary and club liaison will be listed in the summary of the April 18 SG meeting.

SG is thinking about taking over 75 percent ($9,000) of the College Readership Program next school year and taking over 100 percent ($12,000) of the College Readership Program in the 2012-2013 school year, but SG members have yet to vote to implement this plan.

The sign-ups for the Cystic Fibrosis Tournament started this Monday. Any student who wishes to sign up for the tournament must pay $5 and must be a member of a team with 10 or more members.

SG members suggested that there be a card swipe at the front door of the new Student Center because this door is often closed and locked during the peak service hours of the C-Store.

SG members brought up concerns about cold coffee and cold food in the cafeteria. Members also expressed concerns that cafeteria areas such as Bravo are being closed early because of the set-up for scholarship lunches and believe that set-up should be conducted between lunch and dinner instead of beginning during lunch and ending before dinner. SG member Felicity Perez '14 said that the past few times she went to breakfast, she noted that the conveyor belts in the dishwashing area had been turned off during breakfast and that the floors in the same area were very wet and slippery and presented a safety hazard. Since SG members have found out that UG workers believe most complaints about food service is directed towards the UG, SG is planning to have Metz representatives attend a future meeting so that SG members can discuss their food service concerns directly to Metz.

SG member Adam Abruzzo said that Director of Public Safety Brent Oberholzter and other Public Safety officials will be ticketing cars that students illegally park on Summit Street more rigorously than before. However, SG members still raised concerns about inadequate ticketing of Gold Lot cars wrongfully parked in the Red Lot and in the lot behind Mary Green.

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Happy April Fools' Day!

We hope you enjoyed pages 1-6!

Katie & Alyssa

Technocrats win Battle of the Bands

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Six bands rocked the stage in Leedy on Thursday, March 24 in ValleyFest's second round of Battle of the Bands. The Lonewolf Project, The Technocrats, Skiptown Matty, Against the Grain, Letters for Lovers and Epicleptic all advanced to the second round after their first round performances earlier this year. The top three performances—The Technocrats, Epicleptic and Letters for Lovers—were voted based on money raised in their buckets during the performance and through judges. The trio will perform at the 40th-Annual Valleyfest on April 15 or 16.

The Technocrats received first place and will open up for Bon Journey, a Bon Jovi and Journey tribute band, on Saturday evening. Third place Letters for Lovers will hit the stage before second place Epicleptic opens up for Livewire, an AC/DC cover band, on Friday night.

The Technocrats are no strangers to Valleyfest. The disco house/pop/powerpop band rocked the stage before Eve 6 in 2009. The band consists of Asher Condit '11 on piano, Ryan Cagno '11 on guitar, Aaron Glasbrenner '11 on bass and Anthony Spinnato '11 on drums. Multiple band members sing.

Epicleptic was formed this year before the first round of Battle of the Bands. Steve Hackett '11 plays the alto saxophone, Brendan Smith '11 hits the drums, Ryan Frantz '11 plays bass, Eric (Dr. E) Deatrick '10 shreds on guitar, Kevin Nickles '11 plays tenor saxophone and Kelsey Benn raps. The band plays original music from Hackett and Frantz's former band Shoeless Grooves, who placed second in last year's battle of the bands, and some hip-hop covers from various artists with original raps over the music.

Letters for Lovers is a pop/piano rock band who opened up for Reel Big Fish at Valleyfest in 2008. The band consists of Ciaran Carmichael '11 on keys, Courtnee Owens on bass, Cody Fiddner on guitar and Kim Long on drums. Carmichael, Owens and Fiddner add vocals.

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Sports

Schedule

Wednesday, 3/30
Men's Tennis at Penn State Harrisburg, 3:30 p.m.

Women's Tennis @ Elizabethtown, 3:30 p.m.

Men's LAX @ Misericordia, 4 p.m.

Baseball vs. DeSales, 3:30 p.m.

Men's LAX @ Alvernia, 4 p.m.

Thursday, 3/31
Golf @ Moravian Spring Invitational, 12:30 p.m.

Softball vs. Wilkes, 3 p.m.

Men's Tennis @ E-town, 3:30 p.m.

Friday, 4/1
Men's and Women's Track @ Widener, 10 a.m.

Baseball vs. Messiah, 3:30 p.m.

Saturday, 4/2
Men's and Women's Track @ Widener, 10 a.m.

Baseball @ Messiah, 12 p.m.

Men's and Women's Tennis vs. Lycoming, 12 p.m.

Women's LAX @ Arcadia, 1 p.m.

Men's LAC vs. DeSales, 1 p.m.

Softball vs. Messiah, 1 p.m.

Monday, 4/4
Golf vs. LVC Invitational, 12:30 p.m.

Baseball vs. Frostburg State, 4 p.m.

Men's, Women's Track compete at Jim Taylor Invitational

Lauren Scott '11
Sports Editor



Photo courtesy godutchmen.com

The Dutchmen men's and women's track teams competed in the Jim Taylor Invitational at Susquehanna University on Saturday, March 26.

Freshman Cynthia Adams led the pack, winning the 800-meter run by three seconds. At 2:21.54, Adams now placed fourth on the all-time LVC top-10 list. Tiff Frederick '12 places eighth in the event at 2:27.77, placing her at ninth on the list. Adams improved her 1,500-meter run outdoor personal-best by 15 seconds from her performance last week.

Sophomore Alisha Farrell snagged third in the 400-meter dash and fourth in the long jump.

Freshman Kristin Fitti-Hafer placed third in the 200 while junior Johanna Walker placed third in the 100-meter dash.

Caleb Wiley '13 placed to third in the triple jump at 40-7.75 and fifth in the long jump at 19-8.25. Joey Miller '14 followed Wiley in the triple at 40-7.5. Sophomore Erik Brandt placed eighth in the long jump and triple.

Senior Andrew Scott placed third in shot put with a 43-7.25 throw.

Freshman Michael Weir cleared 4.10m on pole vault, marking him at fifth on the day and 10th on LVC's all-time list.

For more individual results, visit www.godutchmen.com.

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Scores

Softball
@ Alvernia, 3/26: L 7-8, W 5-1

Baseball
@ Alvernia, 3/25: L 1-10
vs. Alvernia, 3/26: L 1-3, L 0-10

Men's Lacrosse
vs. Eastern, 3/26: L 3-5

Women's Lacrosse
@ Susquehanna, 3/24: L 12-18

For **Men's and Women's Track** see godutchmen.com for results

Softball splits at Alvernia

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Senior Success Val Malizza's 5-1 victory over the Alvernia Crusaders placed her as LVC's all-time wins leader with 46, topping Jen Roberts' '07 record of 45 wins

The Softball Team continued in action this past weekend, splitting a doubleheader with Alvernia University on Saturday, March 26. The team improves to 10-5 overall, and 2-2 in Conference play.

Earlier in the week, the team's game against Gettysburg College was rained out, with no make-up date set yet.

In the first game, the Crusaders defeated the Dutchman 7-8 in eight innings. Freshman Allison Hartman hit her second homer of the year in the second. Alvernia went up 2-1 in the fourth, but back-to-back singles in the bottom of the fourth by Laura Snyder '11 and Alexa Maddy '13. Chelsea Kehr '12 loaded the bases off a wild pitch before freshman Katie Deardoff reached on an error, scoring Snyder and Maddy. A single by senior Meghan Donoghue scored Kehr. Deardoff crossed on another wild pitch before Hartman hit in Donoghue.

Alvernia went on to tie the score in the fifth and added another run in the sixth to take the lead. Deardorff scored on a wild pitch to tie the game. The Lady Dutchmen had three players reach third base but were unable to capitalize.

A walk-off solo homerun in extra innings by Alvernia's Samantha Penk gave the Crusaders the victory.

The Dutchmen held strong in the second game and responded to Alverinia with a 5-1 win.

The Crusaders opened up the game early with a run in the first, but LVC held them to only that run.

In the fifth, a walk advanced Snyder to second base. Donoghue got to first off an error, scoring Snyder before Hartman's bases loaded walk allowed Deardorff to cross the plate.

In the sixth, junior Steph Hulme led the inning with a single up the middle. Snyder's sacrifice bunt sent her to second before senior Linley Eberhart's double sent Hulme home. Kristen Palmerio '12 reached first, sending Eberhart across the plate. Donoghue then hit a double, increasing the score to 5-1.

Malizzia allowed one run on first hits while striking out two to record the win in her complete game.

Saturday's games were big games for seniors Val Malizzia, Meghan Donoghue and Laura Snyder. Malizzia became LVC's all-time wins leader with 46 career wins. Donoghue got her 100th career hit, and Snyder, who is LVC's all-time strikeouts leader, got her 500th career strikeout.

The Dutchman will host Wilkes on Thursday, March 31st before hosting Messiah on Saturday, April 2nd at 1 p.m. Be sure to come out and support the team.

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